

SWBR recognized with Landmark Society Award for church restoration

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Rochester, NY SWBR has been recognized by the Landmark Society of Western New York with a 2019 Stewardship Award for its work restoring Our Lady of Victory church. The annual award is given to individuals and organizations in the nine-county area that have made outstanding strides in the preservation of their homes, public buildings, historic properties and landscapes.

Our Lady of Victory was built in 1868 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The interior rehabilitation included the restoration of intricately carved altarpieces, statuary and paintings, new historically accurate liturgical furnishings, a new quiet room with leaded glass doors, solid oak pews, a newly painted and stenciled pipe organ, a new lighting scheme and structural repairs.

The project team included SWBR's Ryan Zegarelli AIA, Granda Liturgical Arts of Spain, general contractor Frank Marianacci, artist Scott Grove and craftsman Sean Fallon.

The historic restoration was completed in time to celebrate the church's 150th anniversary.

The annual awards ceremony was held on Nov. 17 at Rochester's historic City Hall.

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